

### REMARKS

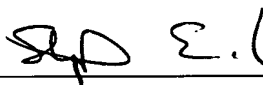
By the present communication, claims 12, 19, 23 and 24 have been amended to define Applicants' invention with greater particularity. No new matter is introduced by the subject amendments as all claim language is fully supported by the specification and original claims. In addition, by the present communication, claims 13-18, 20, 21 and 25-31 have been cancelled.

Accordingly, upon entry of the amendments submitted herewith, claims 1-12, 19, 22-24 and 32 will be pending. The present status of all claims in the application is provided in the Listing of Claims presented herein beginning on page 2 of this communication.

In view of the above amendments and remarks, prompt and favorable action on all claims is respectfully requested. In the event any matters remain to be resolved in view of this communication, the Examiner is encouraged to call the undersigned so that a prompt disposition of this application can be achieved.

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